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1. THIS MESSAGE REVISES AND SUPPLEMENTS REF B WHICH RESPONDED TO REF A, TO WHICH ANSWERS ARE KEYED.

A. EMBASSY CAN ONLY ASSUME THAT GOI WILL REFLECT IN IBRD AND IMF PLENARY SESSIONS THE SAME CONCERNS IT PURSUES FOR EXAMPLE IN UNCTAD AND THE CIEC, E.G. ASSISTANCE TO THE MSA'S, LDC DEBT RESCHEDULING AND PROTECTION OF EXPORT EARNINGS. CENTRAL BANK OF IRAN (CBI) VICE GOVERNOR SHIRAZI SAID THE GOI MOST LIKELY WILL EXPRESS ITS INTEREST/CONCERN OVER THE PRICE OF GOLD IN THE IMF AUCTIONS, THE EFFECTS OF FLOATING EXCHANGE RATES (GOI HAS CONTINUOUSLY FAVORED A RETURN TO FIXED RATES.) AND INFLATION ON WORLD ECONOMIC SYSTEM.

B. NEITHER DR. SHIRAZI NOR DR. KOOROS, UNDERSECRETARY, MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND FINANCE (MEAF), BELIEVED THE GOI WOULD BE RAISING SIGNIFICANT ISSUES WITH THE US DELEGATION. BOTH REFERRED TO THE RECENTLY HELD THIRD SESSION OF THE USIRJC, WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER AS US REPRESENTATIVE, AS PROVIDING A GOOD FORUM FOR BILATERAL EXCHANGES.

C. EMBASSY, CONCURRING IN THE ABOVE COMMENT, DOES NOT SUGGEST ANY ISSUES WHICH THE US DELEGATION SHOULD RAISE WITH GOI DELEGATION.

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D. NONE

E. MEAF MINISTER HUSHANG ANSARY, IRANIAN GOVERNOR TO IBRD,
WILL BE SENIOR GOI REPRESENTATIVE. OTHER OFFICIALS ON DELEGATION
RELATING TO THE IBRD ARE: MEAF UNDERSECRETARY DR. AHMAD KOOROS,
MEAF DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR FOREIGN RELATIONS MS. AFSAR AFSARI-FARD,
MEAF SECRETARY GENERAL (HEADS SECRETARIAT TO MINISTER ANSARY)
MOHAMMAD
ZXAMALI AND PLAN AND BUDGET ORGANIZATION UNDER-
SECRETARY FOR PLANNING, ALEXANDER CONSTANTINE MEJLOUMIAN. FOR
THE IMF, INFORMATION REPORTED REF B IS CORRECT EXCEPT THAT
M. GHARADAGHIPOUR WILL NOW ATTEND IN HIS CAPACITY AS AN OFFICIAL
OF THE OPEC FUND AND ALI MANAVI-RAD, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, INTER-
NATIONAL RELATIONS AND STUDIES, CBI, IS ADDED.
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